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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(B) Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Madison, South Dakota and Slayton, Minnesota)

To: Chief, Allocations Branch

# COMMENTS AND COUNTERPROPOSAL

Madison Broadcasting Company, Inc. ("Madison Broadcasting"), licensee of Station KJAM-FM, Madison, South Dakota, hereby submits its comments and counterproposal in response to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("Notice") in the above-referenced proceeding. As set forth below, Madison Broadcasting respectfully requests that the following changes be made to the FM Table of Allotments in lieu of the changes proposed in the Notice:

City	Present	Proposed		
Madison, SD	276A	276C2		
Slayton, MN	276A	291C2		

# **Discussion**

1. Wallace Christensen currently has pending at the Commission a proposal to substitute channel 276C2 for channel 276A at Slayton, Minnesota, and to modify his construction permit for a

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channel This substitution station on 276A. could new be accomplished accordance with in Commission Rules by substituting channel 288A for 276A at Madison, South Dakota, and modifying the license of Madison Broadcasting to operate Station KJAM-FM on channel 288A.

- 2. Madison Broadcasting instead proposes to substitute channel 276C2 for channel 276A at Madison, South Dakota, and to modify the KJAM-FM license to specify operations on the upgraded channel. Madison Broadcasting also proposes to substitute channel 291C2 for channel 276A at Slayton, Minnesota, and to modify Wallace Christensen's construction permit (File No. BPH-921216MC) to operate on channel 291C2. The modification of the Slayton construction permit can be accomplished at the site presently specified in that permit.
- 3. Operation on channel 276C2 from Madison will provide the requisite city grade signal to all of Madison, and operation on channel 291C2 from Slayton will provide the requisite city grade signal to all of Slayton. If accepted, the modifications proposed herein would provide wide-area FM service to both Madison, South Dakota, and Slayton, Minnesota, rather than simply to Slayton, as proposed in the Notice.
- 4. Madison Broadcasting commits to file for its upgrade promptly upon grant of the allotment, and to construct the new facilities promptly upon grant of a construction permit application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>See</u> attached engineering statement, confirming that the proposed substitutions would be in compliance with all applicable Commission Rules.

Therefore, for the reasons set forth above, the Commission should accept and adopt this counterproposal.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 27, 1993

TECHNICAL STATEMENT
IN SUPPORT OF THE COMMENTS OF
MADISON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
IN THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING
IN MM DOCKET NO. 93-230
MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA AND SLAYTON, MINNESOTA

This technical statement and associated exhibits have been prepared on behalf of Madison Broadcasting Company, Inc. (herein KJAM-FM), licensee of FM station KJAM-FM on channel 276A (103.1 MHz) at Madison, South Dakota, in support of the comments being filed with regard to the Federal Communications Commission Notice of Proposed Rule Making in MM Docket No. 93-230 (Notice).

The Notice was issued in response to the Petition for Rule Making (RM-8298) filed by Wallace Christensen requesting the substitution of channel 276C2 for channel 276A at Slayton, Minnesota and modification of the construction permit for channel 276A (BPH-921216MC). In order to implement the upgrade, it was also proposed to substitute channel 288A (105.5 MHz) for 276A at Madison, South Dakota and modify the license of KJAM-FM to specify operation on channel 288A.

#### Proposed Change in the Table of Allotments

KJAM-FM herein requests the substitution of channel 276C2 for channel 276A at Madison, South Dakota and modification of its license to specify operation on channel 276C2 in lieu of channel 276A. The proposal will permit KJAM-FM to provide wide area coverage to Madison and the surrounding area. KJAM-FM also proposes the substitution of channel 291C2 (106.1 MHz) for channel 276A

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at Slayton and the modification of BPH-921216MC to specify operation on channel 291C2. The proposed changes are as follows:

City	У	Present	<u>Proposed</u>	
Madison,	South Dakota	276A	276C2	
Slayton,	Minnesota	276A	291C2	

# Compliance With FCC Rules

The attached Figure 1 is a tabulation of required separations pertinent to use of channel 276C2 at Madison. The geographic coordinates for the KJAM-FM transmitter site were utilized for distance calculations. As shown, the KJAM-FM site complies with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements to all existing, authorized and proposed stations and allotments, except to the authorized channel 276A operation and proposed channel 276C2 allotment at Slayton. In addition, operation on channel 276C2 from this location will provide the requisite city grade signal to all of Madison.

Channel 291C2 is available as a substitute for channel 276A at Slayton. Figure 2 is a tabulation of required separations pertinent to use of channel 276C2 at Madison. The geographic coordinates for the transmitter site authorized in the outstanding construction permit, BPH-921216MC, were utilized for distance calculations. As shown, this site complies with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements to all existing, authorized and proposed stations and allotments. In

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addition, operation on channel 291C2 from this location will provide the requisite city grade signal to all of Slayton.

## Conclusion

Channel 276C2 can be substituted for channel 276A at Madison and channel 291C2 can be substituted for channel 276A at Slayton in apparent compliance with all applicable Commission rules. KJAM-FM therefore requests that its present channel 276A be upgraded to channel 276C2, and channel 291C2 substituted for 276A at Slayton and the Table of Allotments be modified accordingly.

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September 21, 1993

## FM SEPARATION STUDY

Job Title: Proposed KJAM-FM, Madison, South Dakota Separation Buffer 32 km FCC DB Date: 08/24/93 Channel 276C2 (103.1 MHz) Coordinates: 43-59-08 97-07-42 (KJAM-FM Licensed Site)

Call Status	City State FCC File No.	Channel Freq.		Latitude Longitude			Req.
KELOFM	Sioux Falls	223C	100.	43-31-07	137.2	70.56	35
LIC	SD BLH7037	92.5	564.0	96-32-05		35.56	CLEAR
KIXK	Canton	274C2	50.	43-28-47	147.5	66.62	58
APP	SD BMPH930514IH	102.7	61.0	96-41-04		8.62	CLOSE
KIXK	Canton	274C2	50.0	43-21-25	153.0	78.33	58
CPM	SD BMPH910905IN	102.7	148.0	96-41-20		20.33	CLEAR
KBWSFM	Sisseton	275C1	100.	45-36-52	353.0	182.43	158
LIC	SD BLH840201AE	102.9	140.0	97-24-51		24.43	CLEAR
KJAMFM LIC	Madison SD BLH910220KB	276A 103.1	6.0 98.0	43-59-08 97-07-42		.00 -166.00	
PADD	Slayton MN RM8298	276C2 103.1	.0	43-55-16 95-57-57	94.0	93.60 -96.40	
NEW	Slayton	276A	3.0	43-59-43	89.0	110.79	166
CP	MN BPH921216MC	103.1	82.0	95-44-51		-55.21	SHORT <sup>2</sup>
KTFC	Sioux City	277C1	93.	42-29-05	157.9	179.73	158
LIC	IA BLH3069	103.3	85.0	96-18-10		21.73	CLEAR
KRRO LIC FROM C	Sioux Falls SD BLH901010KD CHANNEL 228A per D88	279C2 103.7 -165	50.0 57.0	43-29-20 96-45-40	151.8	62.62 4.62	58 CLOSE

\*\* End of separation study for channel 276C2 \*\*

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mutually exclusive, licensed KJAM Class A operation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Short-spacing. Counterproposal to Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order to Show Cause to substitute channel 276C2 for 276A at Slayton, Minnesota and substitute channel 288A for 276A at Madison, South Dakota in MM Docket 93-230. Channel 291C2 is available as a substitute for channel 276A at Slayton. See Figure 2.

# FM SEPARATION STUDY

Call Status	City State FCC File No	Channel Freq	ERP(kW) HAAT(m)	Latitude Longitude	Bearing deg-Tru	Dist.	Req.
KMGM	Montevideo	288A	3.00	44-51-24	5.5	96.19	55
LIC	MN BLH821019AP	105.5	90.0	95-37-46		41.19	CLEAR
KRAQ	Jackson	289C3	25.0	43-36-54	123.6	75.95	56
CPM	MN BMPH900823IC	105.7	100.0	94-57-48		19.95	CLEAR
KTLB	Twin Lakes	290C3	25.0	42-32-09	151.6	183.86	117
LIC	IA BLH910924KB	105.9	100.0	94-40-48		66.86	CLEAR
KMIT	Mitchell	290C1	100.	43-41-25	260.2	184.89	158
LIC	SD BLH891204KF	105.9	137.0	98-00-27		26.89	CLEAR
KLSSFM LIC	Mason City IA BLH860527KA	291C1 106.1	100. 96.0	43-08-31 93-06-40	113.2	233.13 9.13	224 CLOSE
KVHT	Vermillion	292C2	50.0	42 <b>-</b> 59-45	218.4	141.10	130
CP	SD BPH920306IB	106.3	119.0	96-49-25	SS	11.10	CLOSE
KFMC	Fairmont	293C1	100.	43-37-45	111.4	109.56	79
LIC	MN BLH850225LM	106.5	113.0	94-29-00		30.56	CLEAR

<sup>\*\*</sup> End of separation study for channel 291C2 \*\*

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Renee Gray, a secretary to the law firm of Fisher, Wayland, Cooper and Leader, hereby certify that I have on this 27th day of September, 1993, mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, a copy of the foregoing "COMMENTS AND COUNTERPROPOSAL" to the following:

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